**Questions to Ask Yourself as You Look at Art Work**   
Thinking about and writing answers to these questions will help you to describe, and analyze work for yourself

**Interpretation – a COULD-DO task**

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| **Question** | **How to start your answer** |
| What does the painting "say" to you personally? |  |
| How has the artist used the elements of composition - line, texture, space, colour, and she to create meaning or content? |  |
| What is the function of this work of art? |  |
| What connection do you see between subject matter and the techniques used? |  |
| How successful has the artist been in presenting and synthesizing the elements of composition with the overall content of the work of art? |  |
| What is your subjective reaction to the work of art? |  |
| What is the cultural meaning and context of the work of art? |  |
| How does the work of art reflect the social, political, aesthetic, psychological, or cultural ideas of its time? |  |
| What do you know about other works of art by this artist? |  |
| How are the attributes of artist's individual style examined and explored in this particular work? |  |
| Who might the audience or buyer be for this piece? |  |
| How do others react to this work?  How do they interpret it? |  |